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U.S. Department of Justice
Civil Rights Division
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20530

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My complaint is about Environmental Injustice. Environmental Justice is fundamentally a Civil Rights Issue. It is defined as the fair and equal treatment of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to enforcement of environmental laws, development, implementation of regulations and policies. Fair treatment means that no group of people including racial/ethnic or socioeconomic group, should bear a disproportionate share of negative environmental consequences resulting from industrial, municipal, and commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local and tribal programs and policies. Environmental Justice is a key concern for all Americans, however it is well documented that African Americans and other communities of color in the United States, bear a disproportionate share of exposure to hazardous substances due to discriminatory land use, siting and permit decision. It is also widely recognized that communities of color receive disproportionately less environmental protection due to discriminatory enforcement and remedial actions. American environmental laws, regulations, and policies have had the effect of creating and perpetuating racial and ethnic discrimination against the nation's communities of color. The University of Florida located in Gainesville Florida, illegally disposed of hazardous waste on my land. The Environmental Protection Agency has not enforced any criminal or civil action, for the university environmental crimes, no remediation/clean up has ever taken place at the site. The University of Florida violated Federal Code 40 of the Environmental Protection Act, when they illegal disposed of hazardous waste on my land. I'm the only landowner affected by the contamination. Neither the EPA nor the university has not shown good faith were this matter is concerned. I have documents that verify my complaint. I've enclosed a few of the documents listed below. I've also included my name and contact information.

- Letter from the state EPA to me about the possible contamination of my land.
- University of Florida Chemical Disposal Site Report, from the EPA Site Investigation Section. The report identifies the type, source, and location of the contamination.
- Consent Order between the State EPA and The Board of Trustees of the University of Florida, the consent order names UF Trustee Board as the Operators of the dump site
- Newspaper articles from the Gainesville Sun Newspaper, detailing the dumping and contamination at the site.
- Borrow Pit Easement document, my family's 48-month agreement with The

Department of Transportation, also known as the UF dump site.

- Legal description documents for my property.
- Survey and tax maps for my property.
- Abstract for my land.

Sincerely,

